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For: A METHOD FOR DETERMINING THE WEIGHT OF A LOAD UPON A LOAD  
SUPPORT MEANS OF A HYDRAULIC LIFTING DEVICE

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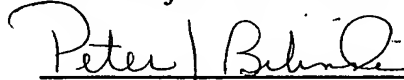
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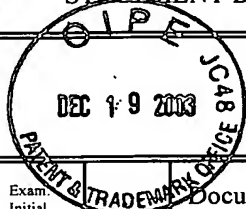
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